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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 30, 2013.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Dr. Brian Lee, Christ Reformed Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Creator, God, merciful and just.

You dwell above in holiness, a father to the fatherless, protector of widows and orphans. Dear Lord, rescue the weak and needy. Deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

Give wisdom to this body. You hold all things in Your almighty hand, and You have established this House of Representatives and every governing authority as Your servants that they might protect the defenseless, praise those who do good and punish those who do evil.

Preserve and protect our President.

Humble all these Your servants with Your holy law, which You shine forth in all our hearts. Help them to seek peace.

You are a God who saves. Convict us of all our sins that we might know deliverance from these our wicked ways.

Hear this prayer for the sake of the merits of Your only Son, the crucified and risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 178, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, April 30, 2013.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on April 30, 2013 at 10:41 a.m.:

That the Senate requests the return of the bill to make corrections in the engrossment of the bill S. 853.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

REQUESTING RETURN OF S. 853, REDUCING FLIGHT DELAYS ACT OF 2013

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following privileged message from the Senate:

In the Senate of the United States, April 30, 2013.

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate the bill (S. 853) entitled "An Act to provide the Secretary of Transportation with the flexibility to transfer certain funds to prevent reduced operations and staffing of the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.", and that upon the compliance of the request, the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to make corrections in the engrossment of the aforesaid bill.

Attest:

NANCY ERICKSON,
SECRETARY.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the request is granted.

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 178, the House stands adjourned until noon on Friday, May 3, 2013.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until Friday, May 3, 2013, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1356. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Identity Theft Red Flags Rules [Release Nos.: 34-69359, IA-3582, IC-30456; File No. S7-02-12] (RIN: 3235-AL26) received April 25, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1357. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral William R. Burke, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1358. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting Report to Congress on Corrosion Policy and Oversight Budget Materials for FY 2014; to the Committee on Armed Services.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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1359. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Accessible Emergency Information, and Apparatus Requirements for Emergency Information and Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010; Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010 [MB Docket No.: 12-107] [MB Docket No.: 12-43] received April 24, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1360. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergency Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1361. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1362. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergency Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 13611 of May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1363. A letter from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting the 2012 management report and statements on system of internal controls of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1364. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the St. Louis, MO; Southern Missouri; Cleveland, OH; and Pittsburgh, PA, Appropriated Fund Federal Wage Areas (RIN: 3206-AM70) received April 24, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1365. A letter from the Chairman, Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting the Commission's Strategic Plan for FY 2014-2018; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1366. A letter from the Deputy Chief Counsel, Regulations and Security Standards, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Provisions for Fees Related to Hazardous Materials Endorsements and Transportation Worker Identification Credentials [Docket No.: TSA-2004-19605; Amendment No. 1572-10] received April 24, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk

for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. CAMP: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 807. A bill to require that the Government prioritize all obligations on the debt held by the public in the event that the debt limit is reached; with an amendment (Rept. 113-48). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. KLINE: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 1406. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide compensatory time for employees in the private sector; with an amendment. (Rept. 113-49). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mrs. CAPPS (for herself and Mr. JOYCE):

H.R. 1821. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for patient protection by establishing safe nurse staffing levels at certain Medicare providers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. CHU (for herself, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, and Mrs. NAPOLITANO):

H.R. 1822. A bill to extend the authorization period for certain uses of funds from the San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. HECK of Nevada (for himself and Mr. AMODEI):

H.R. 1823. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation or exportation of mussels of a certain genus, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MENG (for herself, Mr. LANCE, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. JONES, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. MAFFEI, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. O'ROURKE, Ms. SINEMA, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Mr. BARBER):

H.R. 1824. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress an annual report on the performance of the regional offices of the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mrs. CAPPS:

H.R. 1821.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. CHU:

H.R. 1822.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1, Section 8, Article 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. HECK of Nevada:

H.R. 1823.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The power granted to Congress until Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing Powers, and all other powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or officer thereof.

By Ms. MENG:

H.R. 1824.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: The Congress shall have Power To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 129: Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, and Ms. ZOE LOFGREN.

H.R. 164: Mr. STUTZMAN, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. TIBERI, and Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN.

H.R. 382: Mr. BRIDENSTINE.

H.R. 596: Mr. PETERS of Michigan and Mr. BENISHEK.

H.R. 640: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.

H.R. 664: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. FUDGE.

H.R. 685: Mr. COFFMAN.

H.R. 690: Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 705: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas and Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 719: Mr. ISRAEL.

H.R. 755: Mr. WELCH, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. RUPERSBERGER, and Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 763: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. HURT, and Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.

H.R. 764: Ms. CHU, Mr. MORAN, Mr. HONDA, Mr. PETERS of California, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 792: Mr. ISSA.

H.R. 807: Mr. BURGESS.

H.R. 851: Ms. BROWNLEY of California.

H.R. 924: Mr. TONKO.

H.R. 961: Ms. SINEMA, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. SWALWELL of California, and Mr. SMITH of Washington.

H.R. 1020: Mr. CALVERT, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. WHITFIELD.

H.R. 1024: Mr. LATHAM.

H.R. 1151: Mr. PERRY, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. SHIMKUS, and Mr. WESTMORELAND.

H.R. 1179: Mr. COBLE.

H.R. 1249: Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 1330: Ms. KELLY of Illinois.

H.R. 1346: Mr. RUSH.

H.R. 1355: Mr. BRIDENSTINE and Mr. ROSS.

H.R. 1406: Mr. COLLINS of Georgia and Mr. HUELSKAMP.

H.R. 1429: Mrs. DAVIS of California.

H.R. 1431: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H.R. 1565: Mr. BECERRA, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr.